

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claim 18 is added. No new matter is added. In view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks, prompt examination and allowance are respectfully requested.

Restriction Requirement

In reply to the March 24, 2005 Restriction Requirement, Applicants provisionally elect Group II, claim 1-5, with traverse.

It is also respectfully submitted that the subject matter of all claims 1-18 is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one Group of claims would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining claims. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803 in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions" (emphasis added). It is respectfully submitted that this policy should apply in the present application in order to avoid unnecessary delay and expense to Applicants and duplicative examination by the Patent Office.

Applicants respectfully submit that new claim 18 is directed to a method of manufacturing a light display, and thus should be examined along with elected claims 1-5.

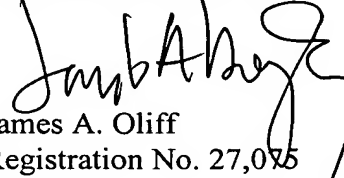
For the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement are respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Favorable examination and prompt allowance of claims 1-18 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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